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In re Application of:

Baker, James, J.

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Examiner: Aileen Baker Felton

RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

In response to the Official Action dated May 12, 2004, the applicant hereby requests reconsideration and allowance of the application in view of the following.

Claims 1-3, 7, 8, 14-18, and 20 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 102(b) as being anticipated by Cressman (US 2,791,114). Claims 1-7 and 16 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 102(b) as being anticipated by Douda (US 3,411,964). Claims 1-7, 9-18, and 20 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 102(b) as being anticipated by Rink et al. (US 6,666,476). Claims 8 and 19 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over Rink et al. in view of Carlson et al. (US 3,945,322). Claims 1-20 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over Carlson et al. in view of Gruber, Jr. (US 3,366,054). Finally, claims 1-20 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over Smith et al. (US 6,647,887) in view of Gruber, Jr.

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